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ATHLETICS IN ENGLAND.

They Arouse Great Enthusiasm and Produce Strange Trophies.

Athletics attract much more attention in England than in America. The people are more enthusiastic, and it is not unusual to see 15,000 or 20,000 people attending the games. There are sports three and five times a week, so that an ambitious runner can fill his trophy room with any number of suitable prizes. An American champion has no idea of the reception that awaits him. The many sports committees attend him, and he is shown the hospitality of the cities.

It is no extraordinary thing to be invited to a dinner in your honor or to stay a few days with the lord mayor of the city. All of these affairs, one must admit, are a great handicap to his training.

The prizes abroad are, as a general rule, very valuable, much more so than in America. They are not wholly confined to silverware, such as cups and the like, but it is nothing extraordinary to see an athlete departing from the races with a sewing machine or hatrack, and in some cases I have seen orders for beds. The lucky competitor, as a rule, can have any article he desires, and, as many British athletes are married, they generally take the most serviceable article.—Arthur F. Duffey in Outing.

Two of a Kind.

"My word, Fitznoodle," said a war office clerk, according to the London Express, to a colleague who sat at the next desk, "just look at that workman on the roof of that building over the way."

"What's the matter with him?" inquired Fitz, glancing through the window at the individual indicated.

"Matter," retorted the other, "why, I've been watching the lazy beggar for the last twenty-five minutes, and he hasn't done a stroke of work all the time."

At the precise moment at which the above conversation occurred a British workman was addressing his "mate."

"Sy, Bill," he remarked in a tone of deep disgust, "d'ye see that 'ere loafin' war offis clerk in that room darn there? S'elp me, if I ain't bin a-watchin' 'im fur nigh on art a hower, an' the bloomer's done nothin' but stare bout o' the winder the 'ole blessed tyme. That's the sort o' chap as we pys taxes ter keep!"

East Indian Children.

East Indian children from their tenderest years are more carefully trained in certain respects by their mothers than the children of the most civilized peoples. The moment the youngest baby ceases nursing its lips are closed by its mother. If the baby does not keep them closed, she uses mechanical means rigidly and even cruelly. When the baby is put to sleep, it is strapped on to a board, its head slightly raised and its chin lowered, which tends to keep the mouth shut. The result is that when the teeth are forming and making their first appearance they meet and continually feel one another. Thus they take their relative positions and that healthful and pleasing regularity that gives to the American Indian as a race the most manly and beautiful mouths in the world.

Not Much of a Showman.

The showman's little boy had a Noah's ark which he examined with some contempt.

"Say!" he exclaimed at last, "Noah wasn't much of a feller, was he?"

It was suggested to the youngster that Noah succeeded in gathering together a pretty good menagerie.

"Good!" exclaimed the boy scornfully. "Huh! Where's the two-headed calf and the six-legged goat and the isithyrosaurus and the elegantopard and the magnicintelope? Why, if Noah set up as a showman in these days he couldn't make expenses."

"He couldn't?"

"Of course he couldn't. Why, say, he didn't have a thing in his ark except animals that actually exist!"—Brooklyn Eagle.

Shelley Liked Plums.

The poet Shelley was walking one day in London with a respectable solicitor when Shelley suddenly vanished and soon after as suddenly reappeared. He had entered the shop of a grocer and returned with some plums, which he offered to the attorney with great delight. The man of fact was as much astonished at the offer as Shelley was at his refusal.

Why the Razor Was Dull.

"I wonder what makes my razor so dull," said a man, looking at the blade he had so carefully sharpened only a day or two before.

"Why, father," spoke up little Johnnie, playing marbles on the floor, "it was just beautiful and sharp only this morning when I made my wooden boat with it."

Behind the Scenes.

"Hurry up, Rowland," called the leading lady, "the people are mad because we are keeping them waiting."

"Then I will not go on at all," stormed the heavy tragedian.

"Why not?"

"Because I refuse to play to a madhouse."—Chicago News.

QUEEREST OF LAWSUITS.

A Highwayman Sued His Partner For His Share of Spoils.

Perhaps the most remarkable suit ever brought is on the records of the court of the exchequer in England. It was filed on Oct. 3, 1725, and it sets forth very clearly that John Everit and Joseph Williams were highway robbers.

In its succinct legal phrases the complaint says that the men formed a partnership for the purpose of carrying on business as highwaymen. It was mighty profitable, as was shown by the fact that Everit sued Williams for the equivalent of \$5,000, "being for moneys wrongfully appropriated to defendant's private purse."

This was the amount in dispute after the partnership had lasted only a year. Then Everit claimed that he discovered that his partner had not made a fair division of the spoils.

The action was adjudged to be a gross contempt of court, and the plaintiff was ordered to pay all costs, while the solicitors who served the writ were fined. One of the solicitors, a man named Wreathcock, refused to pay the fine and was sent to prison for six months. Both plaintiff and defendant to the action were subsequently hanged, one at Tyburn and the other at Maldstone.

Trivial Causes of Wars.

History records one war that was caused by a glass of water—the war of the Spanish succession. A lady, Mrs. Masham, a celebrated court beauty, was carrying a glass of water when she was obstructed by the Marquis de Torcy. A slight scuffle ensued, and the water was spilled. The marquis lost his temper, and bad feeling ensued between the English and French courts, with the ultimate result that war was declared. The campaign cost France many severe battles—viz. Blenheim, 1704; Ramillies, 1707; Audenard, 1708, and Malplaquet, 1709.

Fdly as absurd in its origin was the war that took place during the commonwealth of Modena. A soldier stole a bucket from a public well belonging to the state of Bologna. Although the value of the article did not exceed a few pennies, the incident was the signal for a fierce and prolonged war. Henry, the king of Sardinia, assisted the Modenese to retain the bucket, and in one of the subsequent battles he was made a prisoner. The bucket is still exhibited in the tower of the cathedral of Modena.

Uncle Isrul's Foresight.

Uncle Isrul Trank was one of those thrifty Yankees who, his neighbors averred, would squeeze a dollar "till the eagle on it boggled" before allowing it to leave his pocket. He was a shopkeeper in a small way, but his business had not proved in the long run so profitable as his several matrimonial ventures, which had been three times celebrated. Soon after the last event of the kind had been solemnized, one of his intimates rallied him with:

"Well, Uncle Isrul, heard's how you'd be'n an' done it ag'in. How'd you make out this time? Pooty well, as usual, hey?"

"Well, neighbor," drawled Uncle Isrul, in his soft and saintly way, "I did pooty well, 's you may say, pooty well. Ye-es, Hetty's a godly woman, neighbor; a godly woman—with a lee-tle prop'ty!"—New York Times.

How Fruits Act.

The Medicine Brief thus summarizes the various uses of fruit in relieving diseased conditions of the body. The list is worth keeping. Under the category of laxatives, oranges, figs, tamarinds, prunes, mulberries, dates, nectarines and plums may be included. Pomegranates, cranberries, blackberries, sumac berries, dewberries, raspberries, barberries, quinces, pears, wild cherries and medlars are astringent. Grapes, peaches, strawberries, whortleberries, prickly pears, black currants and melon seeds are diuretics. Gooseberries, red and white currants, pumpkins and melons are refrigerants. Lemons, limes and apples are stomach sedatives.

The Gardener Bird.

The highest development of the decorative instinct in animals is found in the gardener bird (amblyornis). This plain looking native of New Guinea builds its nest on the ground, spreads moss before it and over this green carpet scatters bright berries, flowers and insects. As the flowers wither they are replaced by fresh ones. The whole establishment serves only as a sort of pleasure resort.

A Sensitive Point.

"Isn't it a great satisfaction to be able to assist those who call on you for help in the struggle of life?"

"It would be," answered Mr. Cumrox, "if you could be sure some of your beneficiaries weren't laughing at you behind your back and calling you an easy mark."—Washington Star.

Progressive.

"Are you having a pleasant time?" asked a lady of a little miss at a fashionable children's party.

"Delightful, thanks."

"And will your papa and mamma come later?"

"Oh, dear, no; papa and mamma and I don't belong to the same set."

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Announcements.

FOR CITY SECRETARY.

The Eagle is authorized to announce
A. L. DUNNICA
as a candidate for City Secretary of Bryan at the ensuing city election in April.

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W. R. JOHNSTON
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FOR CITY MARSHAL.

The Eagle is authorized to announce

W. J. ROBERTS
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The Eagle is authorized to announce

T. P. BOYETT
as a candidate for re-election to the office of City Marshal at the ensuing city election in April.

BRYAN, TEXAS, JAN. 17, 1903

There is nothing doing yet in Washington for republican office-seekers of Texas, but promises are made every day that something will be doing right away.

That story of the man in Van Zandt who drank some beer made from ribbon cane during the holidays and is getting drunker as the days pass must have more or less effect on local option precincts. What many people of such precincts and of other precincts have cried for for years is something in the intoxicating line that would take hold and last long. The ribbon cane beer may fill for them a longfelt want.—Galveston News.

It is announced from Jackson, Miss., the crusade against negro Federal office-holders is spreading in Mississippi. White people have served notice on the postmaster at Jackson that the appointment of negro carriers on star mail routes must be discontinued at once. A notice served on the Jackson postmaster was followed by a similar warning being given the postoffice authorities in Lincoln county, Mississippi. It appears that the postal authorities have employed a negro to deliver the mail on a rural route in Lincoln county, and the white people have not only informed the inspector that the negro will not be permitted to perform the service, but that if the inspector takes sides with the negro, as he did at Indianola, he will be treated to a dose of tar and feathers.—Galveston News.

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BRAZOS COUNTY FARMERS' INSTITUTE

Interesting Proceedings Yesterday—Program for Today—Prof. Connell, Messrs. Kirkpatrick and Singleton are Here.

In the face of wet weather and bad roads, a good crowd of farmers and business men assembled at the courthouse yesterday morning for the opening of the Brazos county farmers' institute. The meeting was called to order by Major L. L. McInnis, who stated its purpose and called upon Prof. J. H. Connell, president of the Texas farmers' institutes, to take the stand. Prof. Connell responded in an informal address, and stated that it gave him much pleasure to again come among the people of Brazos county. He referred to the fact that the Texas Farmers' Congress, the origin of the institute work in Texas, and itself merely a state institute, embracing numerous different state organizations, had its beginning in Brazos county, and that the great work is now being carried on and permanently established by the organization of institutes by counties. He commented favorably upon the co-operation of the farming and business interests of the county as indicated by the success of the Central Texas fair, but said the farmers should have an organization to co-operate and exchange suggestions for the general good with the Bryan business league. He emphasized the fact that the farmers of Brazos county do not appreciate their proximity to the A. and M. College; that they miss a great deal of valuable information that would be easy to obtain if they would organize and go about it in the right way; but that instead they go around the college with their eyes shut and expect the institution to bring the instruction to them. With united business and farming interests, with soil that will produce almost anything and with the advantages offered by the A. and M. College, he declared that Brazos county is capable of incalculable development.

Prof. Connell outlined the work of the institute, stating that Mr. E. W. Kirkpatrick of McKinney, an authority on general diversification, fruit and pecan culture, Mr. H. E. Singleton, McKinney, a hog man and dairyman, Dr. David F. Houston, Prof. Gibbs, dean and director, Prof. J. W. Carson, Prof. Kyle and probably others from the A. and M. College would take part in the work.

On motion Prof. Connell, Webb Howell and T. R. Batte were appointed a committee to arrange a program for the two days meeting.

The Allen Academy students attended the afternoon session in a body and listened to the discussions with marked interest.

Mr. Kirkpatrick's remarks on "Beautifying the Home" were especially addressed to the boys and were very appropriate and timely. He showed how easy it is to beautify the home by planting trees and flowers, building walks, using paint and keeping up repairs, and in many other comparatively inexpensive ways. He compared the homes of civilization with the haunts of savages, and declared

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our homes to be the pillars of the state and the nation. While discussing this subject he incidentally showed the boys how budding and grafting are accomplished, giving a practical demonstration of this work that was very interesting. He made a beautiful plea for the birds in closing and declared them to be the best friends of man, without which the world would be uninhabitable.

The discussion of the cannery question was opened by E. W. Kirkpatrick, who was followed by W. P. Connelly, McDuff Simpson, Webb Howell, Prof. J. H. Allen, J. A. Freeman, George Echols and Prof. Connell. The general discussion of the subject as to whether a cannery would pay brought out many views pro and con.

Prof. Connell cited instances to prove that a small plant will pay if operated by a company in which all the truck growers are stockholders who are willing to employ an experienced man and follow his direction in growing the truck systematically, and have efficient business management of the plant.

Prof. Connell opened the discussion of "Co-operation of Farmers and Business Men" and was followed by A. J. Buchanan and Malcolm Carnes. This discussion was along familiar lines and indicated a belief in the growth of the spirit of mutual confidence and co-operation.

The program for today's sessions is as follows:

SATURDAY MORNING.

Dairying on the Farm.—H. E. Singleton, J. H. Brewington. General discussion.

Corn and Feed Crops.—J. H. Connell. Discussion.

Hog Raising Without Corn.—H. E. Singleton. Discussion.

Profits of Stock Feeding.—J. W. Carson.

Our Wonderful Horticultural Resources.—E. W. Kirkpatrick.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The A. and M. College and its Mission to Farmers.—Dr. David F. Houston.

Care of Orchard.—E. J. Kyle, J. H. White. Discussion.

JUST LIKE MOTHER.

An Early Morning Letter With an Important Announcement.

That domestic ambulance corps of which mother or wife or sister has charge, being accustomed to all the accidents that befall heedless men folk, can sometimes deal with them at long range. Thus the New York Mail and Express tells how, at 6 o'clock in the morning of the wedding day, a post-office messenger rang the bell at the home of the bride to be and handed out a special delivery letter.

It was addressed to the best man, who had come forty miles to second his best friend in the ceremony, and was, with several others, the guest of the bride's parents. The best man was still sound asleep, but he was promptly awakened on the supposition that the letter must contain something of importance.

It did, indeed. Rubbing his eyes in an effort to understand, he tore open the envelope and was astonished to find a sheet of letter paper, with a large needle of the sort men always choose when emergency compels them to sew thrust through it and a foot of black thread doubled and trailing in a loose tangle down the page.

The best man thought it was a joke, but he could not see it, and he was about to become resentful when, upon turning the sheet, he found this hastily written note:

Dear Brother—Mother says there is a button off your dress coat. It is in your waistcoat, right hand pocket. Sew it on.

Crawling out of bed, the best man examined his coat and laughed to see that the situation had been accurately described in the letter. "Just like mother," he said. "She has probably lost a whole night's sleep thinking about that button."

Later in the day four bridesmaids gleefully assisted in making the repairs, and this telegram went to mother: Button sewed on. Don't worry.

KEEPING A LOGBOOK.

The System of Abbreviations Used on Merchant Vessels.

How many landmen know how a logbook is written? It seems just as complicated as double entry bookkeeping when one does not know, but after a little careful attention and study it's as easy to keep a logbook as to eat hot gingerbread. There is a list of letters arranged, and they look like so much Greek to the uneducated.

The letter b, for instance, stands for blue sky, whether there be clear or hazy atmosphere. C means cloudy or detached, opening clouds; d denotes drizzling rain; a small j, fog; capital F, thick fog; g, gloomy, dark weather; h, hail; l, lightning, and m, misty or hazy so as to interfere with the view.

The letter o represents overcast or when the whole sky is covered with one impenetrable cloud. Passing showers are noted by the letter p, and q indicates the weather to be equally. Continuous rain is indicated by an r, snow by an s and thunder by a t. An ugly, threatening appearance in the weather calls for the letter u, and visibility of distant objects, whether the sky be cloudy or not, is represented by the letter v. A small w is wet dew. A full point or dot under any letter denotes an extraordinary degree. As an example of how the letters are used take q p d l t. This reads very hard squalls and showers of drizzle, accompanied by lightning, with very heavy thunder. Numerals denote the force of the wind.

A cipher indicates calm, 1 light air, 2 light breeze, 3 gentle breeze, 4 moderate breeze, 5 fresh breeze, 6 strong breeze, 7 moderate gale, 8 fresh gale, 9 strong gale, 10 whole gale, 11 storm, 12 hurricane. This system of abbreviation is generally adhered to on all merchant vessels.

Quicksands.

Quicksands have a horrible fascination for writers and readers of fiction, and the reality is every bit as bad as fancy paints it. One of the most remarkable quicksand accidents occurred years ago in New Zealand. Two prospectors were wading across the mouth of a small stream running into the sea in the north island of New Zealand. Both stepped into a quicksand. One who merely touched the edge of it got loose. The other sank rapidly and, in spite of his companion's efforts, was sucked under. When an attempt was made to recover the body, it was found that the sand was enormously rich in gold. From a single ton of it \$300 worth of gold was washed.—Pearson's.

His Audience.

First Pianist—Did you have much of an audience at your recital yesterday afternoon?

Second Pianist—Splendid! There were two men, three women and a boy. The boy, I afterward learned, was employed about the place, and the two men came in for shelter, as it was raining at the time, but the three women were all right. They came to hear me, I know, for I gave them the passes myself.—Boston Transcript.

He Took the Watch.

It is told of the late Dr. Parker that when a very, very good young man came to him asking whether he should accept for certain special service a gold watch from an agnostic employer he replied: "Take it, my lad; take it. If he had been a Christian, perhaps he would not have offered it to you."

Great Labor Saver.

Customer—The metal in that knife you sold me is as soft as putty. It got dull the first time I used it.

Dealer—Yes, but think how easy it will be to sharpen.—New York Weekly.

Men who mind their own business are usually successful because they have very little competition.—Chicago News.

SMILE AS YOU GO.

Everybody Loves the Man With a Shining Countenance.

Brighter than the most brilliant of gems, electrifying with a radiance that does not dazzle so much as it calls forth a reflection of brightness, is the shining countenance.

The soul of each man is a sun of infinite energy and glorious light. But how few allow themselves to shine! How few faces are lit up with their possible divine life!

Take your thoughts away from the swamps of fear and evil, center them on the ideals of faith and love, on good intentions for others, and your countenance is at once illuminated.

Look in a mirror, and you shall see that my words are true. Absolve yourself of all troubles, be peaceful, be still, cease all your repining; then your countenance will shine.

That such an instantaneous physical change can take place by a change of thought suggests what power there is in a renewed habit of thought, a habit created by repeated conscious reposition of efforts of calm, concentrated thinking in line with the ideal.

Not only is the countenance changed by a bright thought, but the whole body. The atoms are so many vortices of ether, and the central force of each is the mind.

A shining countenance is a smiling countenance. Look on life rightly, and you cannot but be pleased. Then you will smile, you will laugh with joy, because of life's possibilities.

You have perhaps desired to reach greater heights of power. You will reach them easier if you will but smile as you go.

There is every reason why the heart should be glad, and your love for others will show this so. This is the sunshine that expresses itself in your countenance. The mere fact of loving drives away fear and darkness. All false conceptions of duty, the conclusions of a biased reasoning, vanish at the appearance of love.

Every one loves the sunny days, and every one loves the man whose soul or individual sun shines through his face.

Such a man will be trusted wherever he is. He is an interpreter of life; he will intuitively grasp the meaning of things; he will be welcomed everywhere; he will recognize all and he will be recognized by all; he will be received as the Son of Man, a true exemplar of his race, a leader in the evolution of humanity; he will be an encouragement and an incentive to all.

A shining countenance is first of all an immediate phenomenon expressive of the proof of right thinking, and the same source of this illustration contains the potency of completely changing character, body, surroundings, of influencing the person, the community, the race, of issuing forth from its infinite, solar center great stream of life, giving out more vigor, raising the whole realm of existence to the higher plane.—Fred Burry.

Too Generous.

"What was the trouble between Arabella and her young man that they gave up the idea of marrying?" asked a former resident of Bushby.

"Arabella was always techy," said the young lady's aunt, with impersonal calmness, "and that was the trouble—that and her being so literal. It's a terrible risky combination of qualities."

"They kept having hitches all along, but come Christmas time Albert asked her right up and down what she wanted, for fear of making the wrong choice, and she said, 'You can give me enough candy to fill my slipper,' looking at him real coy."

"Well, her feet aren't as small as some, but that wasn't his idea. 'Twas because he's generous and not literal. He sent her a five pound box, poor, de-luded critter, and she up and broke the engagement, and his little sister ate the candy and enjoyed it, by what I hear."—Youth's Companion.

In a Critical Attitude.

Some people seem to be born in an unhappy frame of mind. They cannot admire excellency without making some comment on deficiencies. With them the "times are always out of joint." They are simply in a critical attitude, and nothing except grumbling will satisfy their morbid condition, says the Pittsburg Press. They remind one very strikingly of the old lady who, when she was asked how she felt, replied that she felt better, but that when she felt better she always felt worse, as she knew if she felt better she was going to have a worse spell again.

The Curate's Compliment.

In a west end church on a recent Sunday the junior curate was preaching on reasons for coming to church. "Some people," he remarked, "come to church for no better reason than to show off their best clothes." Then he paused and glanced thoughtfully over his audience. "I am thankful to see, dear friends," he added, "that none of you has come here for that reason."—London Telegraph.

Penalty of Laziness.

Head of Department—What's this lying on my desk? The last dunning letter received from my tailor, duly initialed by all my clerks! Oh, dear, what have I done? Actually sent it round to be duly noted without taking the trouble to look at it!—Fliegende Blätter.

His Maxim.

"It's always well to be on the safe side," mused the burglar, with a glow of satisfaction, as he crawled into the bank through the opening in the wall.—New York Times.

Any person attending a spiritualistic seance in Bohemia is liable to a fine of \$40.

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About 400 acres of post oak land in north east part of county at \$2.50 an acre.

About one and one-quarter acres near school house in southeast part of town. Small new cottage, tenant house and well on premises. Price \$750.

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Local News

House for rent, Mrs. C. M. Proctor.
 R. R. Knowles went to Houston
 yesterday.
 Mr. George R. Tabor left for Aus-
 tin yesterday.
 George Dunlap was here from Mil-
 lican yesterday.
 Big parade of the Jordan Minstrels
 today at noon.
 H. C. Collier came down from
 Waco yesterday.
 Born to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Zimmer-
 man Wednesday, a son.
 Landreth's fresh 1903 guaranteed
 garden seed at Read's drugstore 36
 Sweet pea, tall and dwarf nastur-
 tium seed in bulk. Read's drug
 store. 36
 Wanted—To buy a good second-
 hand delivery wagon.
 37 A. W. Buchanan.
 Tonight and also matinee this
 afternoon—the Jordan Minstrels at
 opera house.
 The Jordan Minstrels give a special
 matinee today. 25c and 35c at the
 opera house.
 Mr. L. J. Cox is now at Ford's Ex-
 position saloon and invites his friends
 and the public to call. w15d47
 Farm lands 5 and 6 miles from
 Bryan, for sale or to exchange for
 town property. T. J. Preston. 35
 The Jordan Minstrels at opera
 house today matinee and tonight.
 Don't fail to see them, they are rich.
 L. J. Cox invites his friends and
 the public to call and see him at
 Ford's Exposition saloon. w15d47
 Electric light globes for sale, 32-
 candle power 25 cents each. Bryan
 Water, Light & Power Co., T. J.
 Preston, Manager. 61
 The popular Mixologists, L. J.
 Cox and J. W. Hamilton, are dis-
 pensing the best brands of liquors at
 Ford's Exposition saloon. w15d47
 For Sale or Trade—Two-story gin
 house which can be moved, and com-
 plete gin outfit in good condition, two
 60-saw gins. T. J. Preston, Bryan,
 Texas. 54
 A bow and arrows from the Philip-
 pines was received at the Wells-
 Fargo express office yesterday and
 attracted a little attention. It was
 painted in barbaric colors and equip-
 ped with a strong string and steel
 barbed arrows.
 At the instance of the ladies of the
 Carnegie library board Senator
 Joseph W. Bailey has secured the
 designation of Bryan as one of the
 eight library towns in Texas to se-
 cure certain contributions of books
 from the government at Washington.

Dr. D. H. Clark,

OFFICE AT EMMEL'S DRUG STORE.

D. O. C. Celebration.

Following is the program to be
 given at the Baptist church Monday
 evening at 7:30 o'clock, by the
 daughters of the Confederacy, in
 celebration of Gen. Robt. E. Lee's
 birthday:

Organ voluntary, "Light Cavalry
 Overture," Suppe.
 Invocation.—Dr. W. C. Friley.
 Solo, "The Two Grenadiers," Schu-
 mann—Miss Zuber.
 Address.—Mr. W. M. Board of the
 Vanderbilt university.
 Chorus, "My Old Kentucky Home"
 —Misses Robinson, Boatwright, Zu-
 ber, Hettie Smith, and Mrs. Webb
 Howell, and Messrs. Law, Moore,
 Withers and Davis.
 Address.—Prof. Minter.
 Solo, "Angel's Serenade," Braga.—
 Miss Boatwright.
 Address.—Mr. W. C. Davis.
 Solo, "Beneath the Shadow of the
 Sacred Alamo," Matchette.—Mrs. J.
 Webb Howell.
 Prayer.—Dr. West.
 Master of ceremonies, Gen. H. B.
 Stoddard.
 Organ Recessional.

Teachers Institute.

Bryan, Texas, January 14, 1903.—I
 hereby notify and request all white
 teachers in the county to meet at the
 courthouse at 10 a. m. on January 25,
 1903, for the purpose of organizing a
 teachers institute.
 The teachers of the A. and M. col-
 lege, Allen Academy, Graded school
 and the Free Baptist college are es-
 pecially invited to attend and take
 part in said institute.

A. G. Board,
 County Superintendent.

George Higgs says why should
 people work and strive to grow things
 for which there is a doubtful market
 when there is every day in the year
 more demand than supply for chick-
 ens and turkeys. He says he could
 ship ten thousand pounds of poultry
 every day and sell it at good prices,
 if he could get it to ship.

Mrs. Tyler Haswell was called to
 Huntsville Thursday afternoon by
 the tragic death of Miss Florence
 Wynne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G.
 A. Wynne, who died from burns.
 While standing in front of the fire
 her clothing became ignited and be-
 fore it could be put out she was so
 badly burned that death resulted.

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 men's and boys' clothing, pants and
 overcoats at cost. W. J. Coulter.—
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 weights. Shop next door to
 McGee's feed store. 48

GEORGE ELIOT.

A Story of the Author and the Manu-
 script of "Daniel Deronda."

George Eliot was conspicuous as a
 person who was kindly and sympathet-
 ic in a high degree. She was "ever
 ready to be amused and interested in
 all that concerned her friends." She
 had also a keen sense of humor and
 sometimes made her friends laugh as
 well as laughed with them. She was
 solicitous about her manuscripts and
 was afraid she should lose them. Black-
 wood had occasion to send her the man-
 uscript of "Daniel Deronda." She
 would not have it intrusted to the mail,
 and Mr. Blackwood said he would send
 it by his footman the next day.

"Oh, don't," the author said. "He
 might stop at a public house and forget
 it!"

Mr. Blackwood explained that this
 footman was a perfectly sober man of
 high character and went on to praise
 the man's virtues, but this did not reas-
 sure her at all. "If he is the sort of
 chivalrous Bayard that you describe,"
 she said, "he is just the kind that would
 stop and help at a fire!"

This was a contingency that Mr.
 Blackwood could not bear to consider.
 He promised that some member of his
 family would bring the manuscript, and
 next day, in fact, Mr. Blackwood drove
 over with it.

How Lightning Kills.

The cause of death by lightning is
 the sudden absorption of the electric
 current. When a thundercloud which
 is highly charged with positive elec-
 tricity hangs over any certain place,
 the earth beneath it becomes abnor-
 mally charged with the negative elec-
 tric current, and a man, animal or other
 object standing or lying directly be-
 neath also partakes of the last men-
 tioned influence. If, while the man,
 animal or other object is in this condi-
 tion, a discharge takes place from the
 cloud above, the restoration of the
 equilibrium will be sudden and violent,
 or, in language that we can all under-
 stand, the negative current from the
 earth will rush up to join the positive
 cloud current, and in passing through
 the object which separates the two
 currents, if it be an animate thing,
 will do so with such force as to almost
 invariably produce instant death.

According to the above, which seems
 a tenable hypothesis, to say the least,
 a person is really "struck" by the
 ground current and not by the forked
 fury from above at all.

Kant's Relaxations.

The only relaxation Kant, the cele-
 brated German philosopher, allowed
 himself was a walk, which he invari-
 ably took during his life at Königsberg
 at about the same hour every afternoon.
 His usual stroll was along the banks of
 the Pregel toward the Friedrich's fort,
 and in these walks he was always a
 careful observer of the phenomena of
 nature. He told his friends one day
 how, as he passed a certain building in
 his daily walk, he had noticed several
 young swallows lying dead upon the
 ground.

On looking up he discovered, as he
 fancied, that the old birds were actu-
 ally throwing their young ones out of
 the nests. It was a season remarkable for
 the scarcity of insects, and the birds
 were apparently sacrificing some of
 their progeny to save the rest. "At
 this," added Kant, "my intellect was
 hushed. The only thing to do here was
 to fall down and worship."—Chambers'
 Journal.

Repairing a Crown.

What curious old records one comes
 across sometimes in unexpected ways!
 Here is one which rather calls to mind
 certain fairy tales beginning "Once
 upon a time" and going on to recount
 extraordinary proceedings quite as if
 they were the most natural and com-
 mon things in the world. It has refer-
 ence to Edward III. and Philippa of
 Hainault and is kept with other docu-
 ments at Harwich, their majesties hav-
 ing had at the time a palace at Felix-
 stowe. It runs thus: "For repairing
 ye queen's crown which ye king threw
 into ye fire, item 3s. 6d." The points
 which strike one in this memorandum
 are the violence of the king's temper
 and the cheapness of the mending
 process.

A Doctor With Experience.

One day, while mending the roof of
 his house, Chodja lost his balance and,
 falling to the ground, broke a rib. A
 friend of his went hurriedly for a ha-
 kim (doctor).

"Hakim, have you ever fallen from a
 roof and broken a rib?" was the first
 question Chodja asked the doctor.

"Thank God, no!" replied the hakim.
 "Then go away at once, please," cried
 Chodja. "I want a doctor who has fallen
 from a roof and knows what it is!"

The Migratory Crab.

The West Indian migratory crab is
 the only creature that is born in the
 sea, matures in fresh waters and passes
 its adult life on land. Once a year
 these creatures migrate in thousands
 from the uplands of Jamaica, deposit
 their ova in the sea, then migrate to the
 rivers and streams, pass through a
 fresh water stage, after which they fol-
 low their parents to land until the time
 comes for them to return to the sea to
 lay their eggs in turn.

Same Old Story.

Stern Father—What an uncharit-
 able hour that fellow stops till every night,
 Dora? What does your mother say
 about it?

Daughter—She says men haven't al-
 tered a bit since she was young, pa.

A Factor In Progress.

A trained, educated mechanic is the
 most powerful factor in the progress
 of nations. Such a man thinks, pro-
 vides for the unexpected, multiplies
 his forces and dares the world to meet
 him.—Galveston News.

ZIGZAG VALLEYS.

The Processes of Nature by Which
 They Are Formed.

Volcanic action has in most cases pri-
 marily determined the configuration of
 the crust of the earth, but the chief
 agents in the formation of tortuous val-
 leys have been streams flowing above
 ground or below the surface. These
 naturally take the course of least re-
 sistance, dislodging the softest soil, and
 thus gradually enlarge their channels
 and are flanked by rising ground.

It has been ascertained by a well
 known expert that the serpentine course
 of the valley of the Cheddar gorge is
 caused by the jointing in the limestone.
 The rock, he tells us, is traversed by
 two systems of joints, which appear to
 be vertical or nearly so, intersecting ap-
 proximately at a right angle. The joint
 surfaces form salient and re-entrant an-
 gles, the former opposite to the latter,
 so that if the two sides of the glen were
 brought together they would seem to
 interlock. Water above or below the
 surface would soak along these open
 joints and widen them into fissures, and
 this movement, sometimes to the right
 and sometimes to the left, would follow
 zigzag lines, so that the natural course
 of the current would by its continuous
 action excavate a valley of this unusual
 character.—London Answers.

A Verified Story.

A group of railroad men in New Or-
 leans were talking about the fastest
 rides they ever experienced, says the
 Times-Democrat. One man in relating
 his experiences said: "Across bayous
 and through marshes we rushed like
 mad. When we reached the Rigolets,
 the most remarkable thing I ever saw
 took place. The train was traveling so
 fast it sucked the water up behind it
 as it rushed across the trestle, and I
 could hear the fishes groan as we flew
 over this neck of the gulf. Most re-
 markable thing I ever saw in the way
 of fast runs." And he lapsed into si-
 lence.

"I am glad you reminded me of that
 run," said another member of the
 group. "I had forgotten the incident.
 I can vouch for all you say, for I was
 on the back end of the last coach, and
 the water which was sucked in behind
 the train by the vacuum almost wash-
 ed me overboard, but I held on all
 right, and when we made the crossing
 and the waters had receded I picked
 up on the platform of the rear coach
 the finest bunch of fish I ever saw.
 They were no doubt the fish you heard
 groaning."

Smallpox in Olden Days.

The first accurate description of the
 nature and ravages of smallpox is that
 of Rhases, an Arabian physician, who
 flourished in the tenth century and
 was the author of books on medicine
 and alchemy.

This terrible scourge was also de-
 scribed in most of the ancient Chinese
 and Indian books. In China it was
 known as the "bean disease" and
 traced back to the times of the Em-
 peror Kwang Wu, who reigned A. D.
 25-28.

The earliest Chinese treatise on
 smallpox was published in 1323, and
 from this it appears that inoculation
 has been known and practiced in the
 far east since the Sung dynasty, A. D.
 960-1127. Chinese experts hold that
 the poison is communicated by the
 parents to their offspring, so that all
 possess its germ in their constitution,
 waiting only for circumstances favor-
 able to its development.

The Marine Flag.

The revenue marine service flag, au-
 thorized by act of congress March 2,
 1790, was originally prescribed to "con-
 sist of sixteen perpendicular stripes,
 alternate red and white, the union of
 the ensign bearing the arms of the
 United States in dark blue on a white
 field." The sixteen stripes represented
 the number of states which had been
 admitted to the Union at that time,
 and no change has been made since.
 Prior to 1871 it bore an eagle in the
 union of the pennant, which was then
 substituted by thirteen blue stars in a
 white field, but the eagle and the stars
 are still retained in the flag.

Slope of Rivers.

Generally speaking, the slope of rivers
 flowing into the Mississippi from the
 east is on an average about three
 inches per mile. Those entering it from
 the west have an average descent of
 about six inches per mile. The aver-
 age descent per mile of the Missouri
 after it leaves the mountains is reck-
 oned at about a foot; the Des Moines
 from its source to its conjunction with
 the Mississippi, 7.3 inches. The entire
 length of the Ohio shows a fall of even
 five inches. The Mississippi from the
 mouth of the Ohio to the gulf has a
 fall of but 2 1/2 inches.

Friend With a Reservation.

Mooney—Brace up, man! Troth, yez
 luk as if yez didn't hov a fri'nd in th'
 whole wurld.

Hogan—O! hov'n't.
 Mooney—G'wan! If it ain't money
 yez wan't 't borry, O!m as good a
 fri'nd as I've yez had.—Brooklyn Life.

Rubbing It In.

He was mulling about tough steak
 and cold coffee and making himself
 generally disagreeable.

"Don't growl so over your breakfast,
 John," said his wife. "Nobody is going
 to take it away from you."

Her Odd Years.

"Madge says she is twenty odd years
 old."
 "That makes her more than forty."
 "How do you make that out?"
 "Count the even years too."—Newark
 News.

There is nothing quite so provoking
 to a busy man as to have some idler
 come along and arouse his curiosity.—
 Atchison Globe.

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 and but Once, Use Earliest Matur-
 ing Seed, Use Wide Rows
 Running East and
 West.

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 10—To the
 Cotton Growers of Texas: At a
 meeting of the executive committee
 of the boll weevil convention held
 at Dallas January 7 the claims of
 a large number of inventors of ma-
 chines and poisons for killing the
 weevil were presented to this com-
 mittee. The statements of others
 who have offensive mixtures de-
 signed to drive the weevil from the
 cotton plant, together with letters
 from parties describing other plans
 designed to trap or destroy the
 weevil, were also heard and dis-
 cussed at length. A number of
 these devices were most ingenious
 and the executive committee appoin-
 ted a sub-committee to make prac-
 tical field trials and to test the ac-
 tual work of the machines and the
 effect of the poison and other meth-
 ods under field conditions. This
 committee consists of the chairman
 of the executive committee, George
 N. Aldridge of Dallas, and W. D.
 Hunter of Victoria, Texas, the ex-
 pert in charge of the boll weevil
 investigations carried on by the
 National Government in Texas.
 These field trials will be underta-
 ken at the earliest possible day.

The executive committee has
 given the most careful considera-
 tion to many remedies that have
 been proposed and present the fol-
 lowing statement, believing it to
 be entirely reliable, because based
 upon the experience of the most
 successful cotton farmers in the
 boll weevil district:

1. Clean off all fields thoroughly
 by burning trash and stalks at
 once. Plow the cotton and corn

land deep as soon as possible dur-
 ing the winter.

2. Plant only early varieties of
 cotton. Buy sound cottonseed,
 grown as far North as seed can be
 found.

3. Plant cotton during the very
 early spring and at no other time.

4. Use wide rows in planting
 cotton. We recommend rows
 about five feet wide for bottom
 lands and four feet wide for up-
 lands. Thin cotton to about three
 feet apart in row in bottoms and
 about two feet apart for uplands.

5. Run the rows as nearly east
 and west as the land will allow.

The executive committee will
 meet every two weeks and will
 give out in future statements all the
 reliable information that it can se-
 cure. The committee is locating
 early maturing varieties of cotton-
 seed and urging upon Congress
 that other investigations be made
 of the weevil to secure quick relief
 for the cotton growers.

We recommend that the farmers
 in the boll weevil districts organize
 at once to fight the pest uniformly
 and successfully. As soon as the
 farmers have organized they should
 notify the secretary of this com-
 mittee. Respectfully submitted,
 GEO. N. ALDRIDGE, Chairman.
 J. H. CONNELL, Secretary.

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The woman who has suffered from female weakness should do nothing within reason to secure health. Wine of Cardui is the medicine that appeals to reasonable women—women who hold operations and cutting in horror—women who know that Nature is the best physician. Wine of Cardui gives women back their health by giving Nature a chance to build up the wasted and diseased tissue. Wine of Cardui regulates the menstrual flow and Nature, when relieved of the drains or of the poisons in the system, makes the functional organs strong and healthy again.

Any woman who is silently suffering untold pains because she is too sensitive to undergo a physician's examination and treatment can find no excuse for not securing relief when Wine of Cardui is offered to her. There is no publicity to deter her. She can take Wine of Cardui in the privacy of her home, with as much assurance of a final cure as though a dozen doctors recommended it. Many physicians do recommend Wine of Cardui to their patients.

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A KING'S POEM.

Autograph Verses by James I. in a Book Owned in Boston.

An interesting volume in the Boston Public Library is Montaigne's "Essays," printed early in the seventeenth century, which was owned by James I., the English king who was so largely responsible for the publication of the accepted version of the Holy Bible. The book is the first English translation of the great French author and was made by John Florio, a friend of many of the famous Elizabethan writers, including Shakespeare himself, who drew several suggestions from its pages for well known passages in his plays.

The Boston Library copy has a modern binding, but the ancient fly leaf is preserved on which is written the following poem, in King James' autograph:

Here lyeth I nakit to the anatomie
Of my frailt hairet, o humane devitie
O trust the Almychtie, lyk the Almychtie's
word
O put on me thy robe as guyltless lord
Thou puttest once more me in thy blest
believe
And in my soull thy secretst law engrave.

The queer words and quaint spelling are characteristic of early Scotch poetry, which King James, as a Scotchman himself, took great delight in writing, and perhaps the average reader will have no more difficulty in deciphering the royal meaning than in making out a page in a modern Scotch dialect novel.

SYMMES' HOLE.

The Peculiar Theory That Was Once Advanced by a Scientist.

Probably the oddest idea ever for a moment entertained by a scientist was that of John Cleves Symmes concerning the condition of the interior of our globe. Symmes was a jurist, a scientist, or, as the French would say, a "savant," of international reputation, an explorer "on his own hook" and an all round man of letters, yet one would think that some of his ideas must have originated with the king of Bedlam. He believed and lectured before learned college societies in support of his views that the earth consists of from five to seven hollow concentric spheres and that at the poles there is a round opening entirely through each of the several spheres.

According to this queer theory, these spheres are placed one inside the other, like a nest of crockery ware, with an open space of a few hundred miles between each. Furthermore, he believed that both the outside and the inside of each of these bubblelike spheres are inhabited, which would give not less than ten and probably fourteen "theaters of action" instead of the one habitable surface with which we are all acquainted to a greater or lesser degree. Symmes lived for many years near Newport, Ky.

The Glass We Eat.

"How much glass do you suppose you consume daily?" a physician asked of one of his patients the other day, says the Philadelphia Record, and then went on, in response to the other's interrogative look: "It is a fact that we all swallow each day more or less glass, the manufacturers not yet having reached the point where their product is impervious to the action of fluids. He who drinks beer consumes the most glass. A chemical analysis of any bottled beer inevitably reveals some of glass' constituents. But the water drinker, too, swallows his share. In a carafe or in a glass pitcher have you never noticed the odd line which marks the level that the water has had? Well, that line shows how the water has changed the appearance of the glass slightly by absorbing some of its components. And so every day, when we drink beer or water or milk, we consume a little glass. But it does us no harm. I have yet to hear of any disease that it has ever caused."

Horses With Four White Feet.

In France and I believe in European countries it is a most ominous sign for a rider, and especially a soldier, to want a horse with four white feet. The famous general Lasalle, who was very superstitious upon this point, never knowingly mounted such a horse. The day of his death, after several ominous events which had happened to him that day, such as a broken mirror, a broken pipe, the picture of his wife broken at the very moment when he went to look at it for the last time, he mounted a horse not his own without glancing at the feet. The horse had the unlucky signs. Mounted upon this horse, he was struck by a shot fired at a moment when fighting had ceased by a Croat among the prisoners just taken at the battle of Wagram.

On the other hand, these four white feet are a mark and token of consideration with the orientals, who do not fail to mention the fact in the pedigrees of their horses.

What Is Said About Ears.

You never saw a poet or a painter with large, coarse ears that stand out from the head like extended wings. That kind of an auricular appendage betokens coarseness of mind. A long, narrow ear that lies flat to the head is a sign of pugnacity. Never trust a man with a thin, waferlike ear. He was born a hypocrite, if not a thief. A very small ear betokens a trifling mind, lacking decision. Ears set very high on the head indicate narrowness of mind. A large, well shaped ear that does not spread itself to the breeze is indicative of generosity. Most of the world's compellers had large ears and well developed noses. Although there are so many millions of people in the world, no two pairs of ears are alike. Each has a marked individuality.

Military Salutes.

Of military salutes, raising the right hand to the head is generally believed to have originated from the days of the tournament, when knights filed past the throne of the queen of beauty, and, by way of compliment, raised their hands to their brows to imply that her beauty was too dazzling for unshaded eyes to gaze upon. The officer's salute with the sword has a double meaning. The first position, with the hilt opposite the lips, is a repetition of the crusader's action in kissing the cross hilt of his sword in token of faith and fealty, while lowering the point afterward implies either submission or friendship, meaning in either case that it is no longer necessary to stand on guard.

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